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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
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Applicant : John E. Dolan  
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Customer No. : 52894  
Title : METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR TEXT DETECTION IN MIXED-  
CONTENT DOCUMENTS USING LOCAL GEOMETRIC SIGNATURES

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action of August 23, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.